India who have been appointed as the authorised person for this industrial undertaking by the Central Government. The report identifies the causes for the unsatisfactory performance of the industrial undertaking and also suggests a rehabilitation package, which includes measures such as liversification of product-mix, availability of uninterrupted power supply, provision of adequate working capital, renovation and modernisation of plants and equipments etc. The report stresses that the rehabilitation package can be implemented only if certain conditions are fulfilled.

Representations have been received from some of the Members of Parliament demanding nationalisation of M/s. Bengal Potteries Ltd. It has not been possible for the Government to take a decision with regard to the future disposition of the undertaking as certain important policy decisions are involved. Meanwhile the period of take over has been extended up to 30.6.1987 or till the decision with regard to the future disposition of undertaking is taken, whichever is earlier.

New rate of DA and Interim Relief to the Employees of Public Sectors

1484. SHRI M. KADHARSHA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that new rates of DA and interim relief has been made applicable to the employees of public sector undertakings;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the reasons that the same rate of DA and interim relief has not been extended to workers drawing wages; and

(d) what are the steps Government propose to take to make it applicable to all categories of employees and workers of pubic sector undertakings under his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY) : (a) and (b) *Ad hoc* reilef has been sanctioned for Chief Executives, Functional Directors, Executives and Supervisors not governed by wage settlements in public sector undertaking following the Industrial DA pattern. The ad hoc relief ranges from Rs. 1500 to Rs. 2500 in respect of Chief Executives and Functional Directors and from Rs. 120 to Rs. 1200 in respect of others.

There is no change in the DA formula.

(c) and (d) Pay revision in respect of Executives cannot be taken up for some time pending the receipt of recommendations of the High Power Pay Committee set up under the directions of the supreme Court. Hence *ad hoc* relief has been authorised pending finalisation of the pay structure for these categories.

As wage revision in respect of workers and other unionised staff under Industrial DA Pattern can take place under the wage policy finalised by Government, it is not considered necessary to pay *ad hoc* relief to workers.

Sale of Spurious Automobile Parts

1485. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the spurious automobile parts being sold and used freely in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that the use of these spurious automobile parts poses a serious threat to public safety and human life;

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government in regard thereto and what steps are contemplated to check the manufacture and marketing of spurious automobile parts;

(d) whether the Government have proposal to make a comprehensive automobile policy; if so, by when; and

(e) what are the salient features of the proposed policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Automotive Component Manufacturer Association (ACMA) has represented to the Government about the increasing trade in the spurious auto parts in the country which is posing a threat to public safety and human life.

(c) Government has taken a number of measures by way of delicensing of auto ancillary industry, broadbanding, re-endorement of capacities etc. and has also encouraged rapid modernisation and induction of new technology in this sector. Certain fiscal Concessions have also been granted for the import of sub-components for the manufacture of components for fuel efficient vehicles. It is expected that these measures would encourage the production of quality components, and with better availability and more competition in the market, the sale of spurious and substandard parts would go down.

(d) and (e) The proposal to formulate a comprehensive automobile policy is under consideration of the Government.

White Paper on Public Sector Units

1486. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a group of Chief Executives of public sector units has been constituted to prepare a white paper on the public sector units; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. K. K. TEWARY): (a) and (b) An informal group of Chief Executives of Steel Authority of India Ltd., State Trading Corporation, Oil & Natural Gas Commission, Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilisers Ltd., Indian Petrochemicals Ltd. and Coal India Ltd. are attempting the first draft as a part of a joint effort of the Government along with Chief Executives to prepare white paper.

1487. [*Transferred to the 7th May, 1987*].

Refund of Deposits from motor vehicle Dealers

1488. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that prospective buyers of motor vehicles are asked to deposit a certain amount for booking of such vehicle with the dealer;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof vehicle-wise;

(c) whether it has any legal sanction;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the amount deposited for such booking is not refunded back immediately on cancellation of booking with the dealer; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) In many cases vehicle manufacturers receive advance deposits of specified amounts against booking of specific models of their vehicles.